Commerce *vide* their Notification dated 25.11.2003 has allowed, Superior Kerosene Oil (SKO) to be imported by State Trading Enterprises. Import is subject to para 2.11 of Foreign Trade Policy and is allowed through State Trading Enterprises (STEs) i.e. IOC, BPCL, HPCL and IBP. STC has also been nominated as a State Trading Enterprise (STE), for supplying to Advance Licence holders. The SKO Control Order 1993 has now been amended on 06.7.2006 allowing Parallel Marketeers to source their requirement from indigenous sources also.

IOCL, BPCL & HPCL are marketing non-PDS kerosene in the open market. As per the existing system of marketing of non-PDS kerosene followed by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs), the genuine industrial and non-domestic customers having requirement of more than 1 tank lorry load at a time, are being supplied directly and the requirement of small customers having requirement of less than full tank lorry load is being met through existing SKO-LDO Dealership network at the non-subsidized rate. Under the provisions of Kerosene (Restriction on Use and Fixation of Ceiling Price) Order 1993, Government has permitted Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), Mangalore refinery and Petrochemical Limited (MRPL) and Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL) to market their indigenously produced kerosene, after meeting the demand of PDS kerosene in full, to non-PDS customers. Oil Companies can make free sale of kerosene at market prices as per requirement. There is no report of any bulk customers/customers facing any difficulty in getting non-PDS SKO.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal for setting up of a separate marketing channel for the State of Gujarat.

Shifting of "Indira Gandhi Flying Academy"

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SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 'Indira Gandhi Flying Academy' was set up at Fursatganj, Rai Bareilly by the former Prime Minister Shri Rajiv Gandhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this Flying Academy has been shifted from Fursatganj to Gondia (Maharashtra); and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) was established in 1985 by the Ministry of Civil Aviation at Fursatganj, Rae Bareilly is a registered society when Shri Rajiv Gandhi was the Prime Minister. It continues to be fully functional.

(b) No, Sir. In fact the infrastructure facilities at IGRUA such as re-carpeting of runway, construction of additional hangar, extension of apron, construction of additional hostels etc. are being upgraded at a cost of Rs. 21.82 crore. Six new aircrafts were added to the fleet of IGRUA during the year 2005-06 at a cost of Rs. 6.17 crore. In order to introduce world-class training standards, a management contract has been entered into with M/s. CAE with the objective of enhancing the training capacity from 40 to 100 cadets per year. Further, an amount of Rs. 43.10 crore is earmarked for procurement of new aircraft in 2006-07 and 2007-08.

(c) Does not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.